

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

ARALON W. OESTMANN, and )  
KATHLEEN A. OESTMANN, )  
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Plaintiffs,                 )                          4:06CV3188  
                                )  
vs.                            )                          ORDER  
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MERCK & CO., INC.,        )  
                                )  
Defendant.                 )

This matter is before the court on the defendant's motion to stay all proceedings (Filing No. 6). The defendant seeks a stay of proceedings pending a transfer decision by the judicial panel on multidistrict litigation to the case captioned *In re VIOXX Mktg., Sales Practices & Prods. Liab. Litig.*, (MDL-1657, E.D. La.). The defendant represents the plaintiffs have no objection to the extension. Upon consideration,

**IT IS ORDERED:**

1. The defendant's motion to stay (Filing No. 6) is granted as set forth below.
2. All proceedings in this matter are stayed. The parties shall file a status report **on October 1, 2006**, unless the case is transferred to the Multi-District Litigation Docket.

DATED this 17th day of August, 2006.

BY THE COURT:

s/Thomas D. Thalken  
United States Magistrate Judge